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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF

The Dorchester Employment and Relief Society

1901-1902.

During the year just ended this Society has been called upon to render material aid to many families; and its work has been found to be as necessary as in the former twenty years, since its formation.

The aged poor who, for substantial reasons, cannot be cared for in institutions, constantly come to our notice; and these, as well as those who are unable to continue work on account of illness, appeal especially to the Relief Society. Frequently this Society is the only agency which can be called upon to assist families who have recently come to Dorchester, who have neither church connections nor city settlement. When a family has any claim upon a church, we co-operate with their church; and in this way the treasury of the Relief Society is made to accomplish more work. Illness frequently brings to want respectable persons who, when in health, are able to support themselves. Many times assistance for a few weeks will put a family on its feet; and we hear nothing more from them, only expressions of gratitude, and at times returns of the money expended for them.

A widow with a heart trouble, who could do no work besides her home duties, came to us in sore distress, saying her son, a boy of sixteen, who had been able to earn money sufficient for the rent, had become lame and unable to keep his place. They were carefully visited, and the boy encouraged and taught to seat chairs, which the visitor obtained for him, and was given sufficient for actual needs until the boy was able to resume work.

We appeal once more to our friends for clothing of all kinds, especially for children. We are able to make use of large quantities.

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Articles may be left at the office of the Associated Charities, 204 Adams Street, Field's Corner. If more convenient, a postal card sent to Mrs. Frank King Nash, Secretary, 23 Everett Street, stating where packages may be found, will be promptly called for.

We thank most heartily our constant and generous contributors, whose confidence enables us to go on with our work. The names of new contributors, however, are much needed.

OFFICERS, 1902–1903.

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Agent.

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GEORGE G. BRADFORD, *Treasurer* (*ex officio*), Upham's Corner.

Treasurer's Report for Year ending Sept. 30, 1902.

Receipts.

Balance cash on hand	$9.56
Contributions	1,271.95
" Special	14.10
" to Permanent Funds	1,100.00
" for Associated Charities	117.00
From Agent, B. I. Funds	46.00
Loans Repaid	.55
Witness Fee of Agent	1.00
Interest and Income from Permanent Funds	4.44
	$2,564.60

Disbursements.

Aid: —			
Groceries	$332.14		
Fuel	137.23		
Milk	60.76		
Shoes	2,50	$532.63	
Cash	$122.80		
Loans	35.55	158.35	
Medicine	$15.06		
Food for sick	14.99		
Plaster knee cast	5.00		
District nurse	7.96		
Bedding	1.45	44.46	
Funeral		20.00	
Moving		15.00	
Sundries		2.40	
Marriage Certificate		.50	$773.34
Expense: —			
Salary	$275.00		
Rent and care of office	109.77		
Fares and telephones	51.21		
Postage and printing	47.08		
Miscellaneous	.65	$483.71	
Less: —			
Repaid by Associated Charities	$61.50		
Repaid for use of telephone	12.10	73.65	410.06
Remittance to Associated Charities on account of contributions as above,			117.00
Remittance to Agent account B. I. Funds			42.00
Treasurer's loan 1900–1901 account repaid			100.00
Turned over to Trustees Permanent Fund.			1,100.00
Balance B. I. Funds		$4.00	
Balance cash		18.20	22.20
			$2,564.60

Permanent Funds.

Deposited with Dorchester Savings Bank	$600
Deposited with Franklin Savings Bank	500
	$1,100

Annual Subscriptions and Donations to Dorchester Employment and Relief Society, October, 1901, to October, 1902.

Please notify the Treasurer of any errors or omissions.

Allen, Mrs. Thomas J.	$7.00	Eddy, Miss Lydia H.	$2.00
Appleton, F. P.	5.00	Estabrooks, Miss Emma M.	3.00
Appleton, H. W.	5.00	Esterbrook, Mrs. G. W.	2.00
Arakelyan, Jacob J.	11.00	Everett, Mrs. William B.	3.00
Arakelyan, Mrs. J. J.	1.00	Foster, Mrs. C. D.	1.00
Baldwin, Charles H.	25.00	Field, John W.	10.00
Baldwin, Mrs. Charles H.	5.00	Fifield, Mrs. Emily A.	2.00
Barnard, Mrs. M. C. E.	3.00	Fox, Walter S.	5.00
Bates, Henry L.	2.00	Griswold, Mrs. L. A.	1.00
Bean, J. Henry	5.00	Hall, Henry	5.00
Bellamy, Mrs. Wm.	5.00	Hall, Mrs. Solomon	5.00
Bolles, Mrs. H. Eugene	10.00	Hanson, Mrs. A. S.	2.00
Boynton, W. Herbert	5.00	Hardwick, B. C.	20.00
Bradford, Miss A. A.	1.00	Hearsey, Miss S. E.	10.00
Bradford, Mrs. A. C.	5.00	Hoit, Mrs. A. H.	2.00
Bradford, M. L.	10.00	Holbrook, S. P.	10.00
Bradford, George G.	25.00	Hosmer, Mrs. J. C.	1.00
Bradford, Mrs. George G.	5.00	Howe, Edward J.	20.00
Brigham, Mrs. C. L.	3.00	Howe, Miss Ella L.	1.00
Brigham, Mrs. F. E.	10.00	Howland, J. Frank	10.00
Burditt, Miss Alice A.	1.00	Humphreys, Miss Anna	5.00
Burditt, Mrs. Charles A.	5.00	Humphreys, Clarence B.	5.00
Burditt, Charles A.	10.00	Humphreys, James H.	10.00
Caldwell, Miss C. E.	2.00	Humphreys, Richard C.	40.00
Callender, Mrs. Henry	10.00	Humphreys, Richard C., special,	25.00
Callender, Miss C. S.	5.00	Humphreys, Richard C., Trustee,	80.00
Carr, Miss Louise L.	2.00	Jaynes, Charles P.	10.00
Carruth, Miss Ellen	2.00	Ladies' Benevolent Society of Third Religious Society	10.00
Churchill, Joseph R.	5.00	Lee, Mrs. Charles J.	5.00
Churchill, Mrs. Joseph R.	3.00	Lee, Mrs. L. M.	3.00
Clark, Mrs. A. C.	5.00	Lend a Hand Society	2.00
Collins, Charles H.	10.00	Lewis, Mrs. E. J.	1.00
Cushing, Miss Susan T.	3.00	Morse, Daniel D.	5.00
Cutter, D. J.	25.00	Murdock, Harold	25.00
Cutter, Frank W.	5.00	Murdock, Mrs. Harold	5.00
Cutter, Mrs. F. W.	5.00	Murdock, William E.	25.00
Cutter, W. H.	10.00	Nash, Frank K.	5.00
Daly, Mrs. J. M.	5.00	Nash, Mrs. Frank K.	35.00
Dana, Miss Mary H.	2.00	Nash, Mrs. Frank K., special	5.00
Denton, Miss S. E.	5.00	Nightingale, Mrs. Crawford	5.00
Dewick, Charles F.	2.00	North, Mrs. F. O.	1.00
Dewick, Miss Charlotte F.	2.00	Noyes, Miss M. E.	10.00
Downes, Mrs. F. O.	1.00		

Parish of All Saints, Ashmont	$20.00
Parker, Mrs. G. D.	10.00
Perry, Arthur D.	10.00
Peters, Dr. E. D.	5.00
Pettee, Benjamin	2.00
Pierce, J. Homer	5.00
Pierce, Mrs. Henry	2.00
Pierce, Miss Henrietta M.	5.00
Pierce, Miss Mary E.	2.00
Porter, Mrs. J. W.	1.00
Pratt, Laban	35.00
Rogers, Mrs. O. F.	3.00
Ruggles, Mrs. T. E.	5.00
Sawyer, Henry N.	10.00
Sayward, William H.	5.00
Sayward, Mrs. W. H.	5.00
Second Church	77.85
Second Church Sunday-school	8.56
Second Church (Friend)	2.00
Second Church (Friend)	1.00
Shepard, Walter	5.00
Shippen, Rev. Eugene R.	3.00
Snow, Mrs. F. B.	4.00
Snow, George W.	5.00
Snow, Samuel T.	5.00
Soule, Mrs. E. P.	3.00
Stearns, Fred P.	10.00
Swan, Miss E. B.	5.00
Swan, Charles H.	5.00
Swan, Arthur R.	5.00
Swan, Mrs. James E.	2.00
S. Annual	10.00
Thacher, Mrs. C. A.	10.00
Torrey, Elbridge	$75.00
Trask, Mrs. R. C.	2.00
Turner, Mrs. William H.	10.00
Turner, William H.	10.00
Union Service Thanksgiving Day: — Highland M. E. Church, Stanton Ave. Church, Second Church, Cong., Harvard St. Cong., Central Cong.	11.76
Union Service Thanksgiving Day (Village Church)	6.47
Union Service Thanksgiving Day (Virginia St. Universalist)	14.31
Vinson, Miss Ellen H.	5.00
Wales, William Q.	15.00
Walker, Fred L.	2.00
Ware, Mrs. William M.	2.00
Warner, Frederick H.	2.00
Weis, Mrs. Mary C.	2.00
Whidden, Stephen H.	50.00
Whitcher, Mrs. F. E.	1.00
Wilder, Edward B.	5.00
Wood, Frank	50.00
Wright, Mrs. Charles P.	5.00
Young, J. A.	5.00
Young Ladies' Aid Society (Neponset)	2.00
Young People's Soc. of C. E., Second Church	5.00
	$1,271.95

ANNUAL REPORT

OF

Dorchester Conference of Associated Charities,

1901-1902.

DORCHESTER.

Conference of District 4.

Families cared for by friendly visitors	79
Other families dealt with or worked for	107
Total	186
Total number of friendly visitors within the year	68
Families new to the Conference within the year: —	
Transferred from other Conferences	18
Inquiries from other cities	3
Records of relatives of families referred	1
Families not found	2
Homeless persons	1
Extra cases, chiefly those aided by the Overseers for the first time	2
Other families referred by individuals, societies, police, etc.	52
Applicants	9
Total new to the Conference within the year	88

The committee chosen to confer with the agent in the classification of the new families of the past year, as to the causes of poverty, has found its work so interesting, instructive, and in some ways surprising that it feels sure that some account of it may be interesting to others.

We all felt before we began that intemperance caused more distress than anything else. We were, therefore, much surprised to find that, while sickness, accident, or death, were the immediate causes of poverty in 38 per cent. of all the families, intemperance was the cause in only 16 per cent. of the total number of families. We found that none of the new families were recent immigrants, and that almost all the parents were born in the United States or Great Britain. It was very interesting to note that, of the large families of six or more, nearly 36 per cent. of the poverty could be traced to intemperance, while in the smaller families of four or less the percentage was much smaller.

Where both parents were living, 40 per cent. of the poverty was caused by sickness or accident, and 22 per cent. by intemperance.

In cases of desertion, 80 per cent. were caused by disregard of family ties on the part of the husband, and 20 per cent. by intemperance.

Last year we had among our new families a large number of consumptives, and this year we have had six cases of locomotor ataxia.

Treasurer's Report for Year ending Sept. 30, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

Mrs. H. G. Allbright	$1.00
Charles H. Baldwin	25.00
Mrs. Charles H. Baldwin	10.00
Mrs. Cornelia H. Bradford	5.00
Martin L. Bradford	5.00
Mrs. C. L. Brigham	2.00
Mrs. Charles A. Burditt	5.00
Miss Anna Humphreys	5.00
Clarence B. Humphreys	5.00
James H. Humphreys	5.00
Mrs. Charles J. Lee	5.00
Mrs. C. M. Litchfield	2.00
Frank K. Nash	5.00
Mrs. S. Frank King Nash	35.00
Miss Mary E. Noyes	10.00
J. Homer Pierce	10.00
Laban Pratt	15.00
F. B. Snow	5.00
Frederick P. Stearns	5.00
Robert T. Swan	25.00
Mrs. William H. Turner	5.00
Rev. Albert G. Upham	1.00
Miss Ellen H. Vinson	10.00
Mrs. Frances E. Whicher	2.00
	$203.00
From Income from Investments	95.62
	$298.62
Transferred from General Expense Account	117.53
	$416.15

For Year Ending Sept. 30, 1902.

EXPENDITURES.

Salaries	$300.00
Fuel and Light	2.22
Care of Office	21.83
Stationery	2.23
Postage	7.89
Equipment of Office	.60
Other Items	21.38
Rent	60.00
	$416.15

OFFICERS FOR 1902-03.

DORCHESTER CONFERENCE OF ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

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DORCHESTER EMPLOYMENT AND RELIEF SOCIETY

ORGANIZED TO CO-OPERATE WITH

Dorchester Conference of Associated Charities.

PURPOSE.

To provide relief and, if possible, employment for the worthy poor of Dorchester, and to help them to become self-supporting.
To make it possible for the Associated Charities
To protect the community from beggars and impostors, and
To prevent the increase of pauperism.

ADDRESS.

204 Adams Street, Field's Corner.

HOURS.

11 A.M. to 12.30 P.M. daily.